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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), an extension of time of 1 month is hereby requested.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for the extension of time. If any additional fees are due or any overpayment has been made, please charge our Deposit Account No. 11-0171 or credit our Deposit account for such sum.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the present application, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

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